

State Board for Crane Operators
Minutes of the April 14, 2014, Meeting

Members Present: Edward St. John, Chairman; Nate Brown; Richard Cop

Also Attending: Elliot Henowitz, State Crane Inspector; David D'Ostilio, IUOE, William Abbott DAS/DCS/OSFM; Linda Spring DAS/DCS/OSFM; Robert Suchenski, Travelers; Roy Bolton II, Cianbro Equipment

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.
2. Approval of Minutes – approved and seconded
3. Old Business:
 - A. None
 - B. No discussion
 - C. Re-certification – approximately 50 applicants have been tested to date. It was suggested a letter be sent in 2015 with crane operator renewals to remind them to re-test by 2017.
4. New Business:
 - A. & B. Apprentice Crane Operator applications were reviewed by the Board. There was one in question which will be denied because of lack of experience.
 - C. Review of crane incident -A Quick Pick Crane Service, Shelton CT incident on 12/16/13 – no injuries and operator admits to fault. Work with Jenna to get a letter with a warning to give the operator. Board agrees.
5. Comments from the public:

Dave D'Ostilio asked that Elliot be allowed to approve the Apprentice Crane Operators and then the Board can review them. It take too long to get an application approved due to many Crane Board meeting being postponed or the time an application is received in relation to the date of the meeting. This prohibits the applicant from experience time while waiting for approval. State Fire Marshal Bill Abbott says that is fine provided the statute agrees. He will research the topic for the next meeting and it will be put on the agenda.

The State Fire Marshal would like to clarify the proper procedure to be followed for the state crane inspector upon encountering an unregistered crane or unlicensed operator.

Next meeting will be held at CCIA, 912 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield CT on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30.

Meeting adjourned at 10:23.